REMARKS

Summary of the Official Action

In the instant Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 3,505,749 to Hewitt. The Examiner considered the limitations of claims 1 and 2 of the present application to be fully disclosed by Hewitt.

Claims 3-16 were held withdrawn from consideration, the Examiner having made the restriction requirement <u>Final</u>.

By the present amendment and remarks, Applicant submits that the rejections have been rendered moot, and respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action.

Response

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hewitt, US 3,505,749. The examiner indicated that Hewitt disclosed a moving loop device comprising a cover 136, a driving roller 122, a driven roller 123, a suitable driving device, a display screen, multiple labels along the display screen and a sensor 126.

With reference to Fig. 6 of the cited reference, Hewitt discloses a device mounted in a vehicle to provide drivers guidance information pertinent to a predetermined route.

The examiner indicated that the device has a driving roller 122 and a driven roller 123.

However, both the driving roller 122 and the driven roller 123 are mounted in the case 136. Actually, components shown in Fig. 6 are all in the case 136.

As recited in present claim 1, "one of the two rollers acts as a driving roller and is mounted in said cover, and the other roller acts as a driven roller out of the cover". Therefore, Hewitt does not anticipate Applicant's invention as recited in claims 1 and 2 and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) should be withdrawn. Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, the applicant believes that the subject patent application has been placed in a condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The rejections of claims 1 and 2 have been rendered moot at least for the reasons discussed above. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Furthermore, should the Examiner concur that claims 1 and 2 are allowable, re-joinder and allowance of claims 3-16 are respectfully requested.

Please charge any fees necessary for consideration of the papers filed herein and refund excess payments to Deposit Account No. 50-2929.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the undersigned may be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

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